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SUBJ: UNHELPFUL YUGOSLAV BEHAVIOR AT LIMA

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1. AP REPORTS, DATELINED LIMA AUGUST 27 AND 28, 1975, INDICATE THAT YUGOSLAVIA'S FOREIGN SECRETARY MINIC SAW FIT IN THE NON-ALIGNED PLENARY TO CRITICIZE US. HARSHLY FOR OUR MILITARY PRESENCE IN "PANAMA" AND AT GUANTANAMO. ACCORDING AP DESPATCH, MINIC "SPEARHEADED THE ORATORICAL ASSAULT" ON THE US. AND "SINGLED OUT THE US. ROLE IN LATIN AMERICA--NOTABLY IN PANAMA AND CUBA--FOR SPECIAL ATTENTION." OFFHAND, IT WOULD SEEM TO USUN THAT THESE MATTERS ARE RATHER FAR FROM YUGOSLAVIA'S AREA OF LEGITIMATE DIRECT CONCERN.

2. WHILE WE LACK THE FULL TEXT OF MINIC'S REPORTED REMARKS, IT SEEMS TO US THAT, COMING SO CLOSE ON THE HEELS OF AUGUST'S PUERTO RICO EPISODE IN THE COMMITTEE OF 24, THEY LEND SMALL CREDENCE TO YUGOSLAVIA'S PROTESTATIONS OF HELPFUL INNOCENCE ON THE PUERTO RICAN MATTER. AS WE HAVE DONE BEFORE (REFTELS), WE RECOMMEND STEPS TO UNDERLINE TO THE GOVERNMENT OF YUGOSLAVIA THAT ITS UNHELPFUL POLICY OF ATTACK ON MATTERS OF FUNDAMENTAL IMPORTANCE TO THE US. WILL NOT GO UNHEEDED ON OUR SIDE.

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